In addition to above, Agricultural and Processed Food Products Export Development Authority (APEDA) an organization under the Ministry of Commerce, has initiated the following programmes :

(i) Integrated programmes for pre and post harvest management;

(ii) Preparation of Post harvest manuals in regional languages to educate farmers/growers;

(iii) Promotion of pack house concept in the production areas including cold chain linkage right from farm to the consumer; and

(iv) Vapour heat treatment to control flies in horticulture produce on pilot scale.

(c) and (d) The Government has no proposal to provide funds to Tirhut Agriculture College, District Muzaffarpur. If Tirhut Agriculture College desires to have cold storage they may avail financial assistance as per pattern of the scheme.

Production of seeds in public sector

†4292. SHRI RAJIV RANJAN SINGH 'LALAN':
SHRI RAM JETHMALANI :

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) whether seeds are being produced in the Public Sector in the country;

(b) if so, the names of the Public Sector Institutes enaged in the production of seeds; and

(c) the types of seeds being produced annually by each of those institutes, the average quantum and the details of targets laid for the ensuing years by these institutes, for increasing the production?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SHRIPAD YESSO NAIK) : (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. Under the Central Government, two Public Sector Undertakings, namely, National Seeds Corporation Ltd. (NSC) and State Farms Corporation of India (SFCI) are engaged in seed production. Besides, the following States also have their State Seeds Corporations, *viz;*

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

Andhra Pradesh, Assam, Gujarat, Haryana, Karnataka, Maharashtra, Madhya Pradesh, Orissa, Punjab, Rajasthan, Uttar Pradesh and West Bengal.

(c) Details of seeds produced by NSC and SFCI during the years, 1998-99 to 2000-01, and target laid for the ensuing year, are given in the enclosed Statement.

Statement

Details of Seed Production of NSC and SCFI during three years 1998-99 to 2000-2001 and the target fixed for Seed Production during 2001-2002

Quantity in Quintals

Agency	Year	Crops					
		Cereals	Pulses	Oil-Seeds	Fibre	Others	Total
National Seeds Corporation	1998-99	288734	26682	25140	6919	28217	375692
	1999-2000	268175	34751	28723	11482	18914	362045
	2000-2001	285209	24971	33306	8649	15750	367885
	Average	280706	28801	29056	9016	20960	368539
	2001-2002	266800	32500	42950	9300	24880	376430
States Farms Corporation of India	1998-1999	138538	17965	6874	2761	5059	171197
	1999-2000	160725	4183	20747	2634	8108	196397
	2000-01	139090	22120	13677	3261	4686	182834
	Average	146118	14756	13766	2885	5951	183476
	2001-2002	149250	46870	21080	6600	5200	229000

Farm machinery training and testing institute in Andhra Pradesh

4293. DR. DASARI NARAYANA RAO : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) whether any Farm Machinery Training and Testing Institute is functioning in Andhra Pradesh;

(b) if so, the details thereof;